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The six hundred and forty-eighth meeting of the Club was held at the Rembrandt Hotel, London, on the 23rd January, 1967.

*Chairman: Dr. J. F. Monk*

Members present: 15; Guests 4.

Recording calls of some Malayan birds were played and commented upon by Mr. D. V. Manning.

### **A new name for a race of bunting from Africa**

In *Durban Mus. Novit.*, vol. viii, 10, 1967, p. 113, I proposed *Emberiza flaviventris vulpecula* Clancey from the Langata Forest, Ngong, Nairobi, Kenya. Unfortunately, this name is now found to be pre-occupied by *Emberiza affinis vulpecula* Grote, 1921: Bosum, Cameroon (*vide Anz. Orn. Ges. Bayern*, No. 5, 1921, p. 39). I propose

*Emberiza flaviventris carychroa*, nom. nov., for *E. f. vulpecula* Clancey, 1967, not *E. a. vulpecula* Grote, 1921. P. A. CLANCEY

### **The southern forms of *Serinus canicollis* (Swainson)**

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At the present time two southern African races of the Cape Canary *Serinus canicollis* (Swainson) are recognised by many workers, these being *S. c. canicollis* (Swainson), 1838: Cape of Good Hope, and *S. c. thompsonae* Roberts, 1924: Woodbush, Tzaneen, northern Transvaal. The latter race is however frequently treated as a synonym of the former. It was separated in the first instance by Roberts, *Ann. Transv. Mus.*, vol. x, 3, 1924, p. 186, as having the "Upper parts golden yellow" as against a duller yellow in *S. c. canicollis*, but this character has eluded most later workers. In a short note in *Durban Mus. Novit.*, vol. vi, 19, 1963, pp. 261, 262, I defined the characters by which a taxon *thompsonae* could be recognised, these being